**Criteria for Sports Grants Awards in Annandale and Eskdale**

1. Maximum grant award that can be awarded is 50% of the project costs, up to a maximum of £500 for Sports Clubs and £300 for Individuals.
2. A one of payment can be made of up to £1000 for a special event, subject to approval by Area Committee.
3. Applicants must be participating in a sport formally recognised by sportscotland.
4. Grant funding is awarded towards sports equipment, training for coaches and volunteers, travel and competition expenses, clothing/kit expenses, sports events and improving and extending facilities.
5. Grant funding is not available towards running costs of heating, lighting, rent, water, wages or rates.
6. Sports clubs applying for funding should be prepared to engage in discussions regarding the Dumfries and Galloway Sports Club Accreditation Scheme if they are not already accredited through the local authority or the national governing body equivalent.
7. Applicants will be encouraged not to become overly dependent upon grant funding year after year and will be encouraged to undertake some fund raising of their own.
8. Year of Young People 2018 is an opportunity to celebrate the amazing young personalities, talents, and achievers that make up Scotland. It’s all about inspiring our nation through its young people’s ideas, attitudes and ambitions. Young People are one of Dumfries and Galloways greatest assets and for the 2018 Scotland’s Year of Young People; our Council has co-designed an inspirational plan for Dumfries and Galloway. For 2018 only, priority will be given to individuals and organisations which deliver benefits to young people aged 8-25 years of age in Annandale and Eskdale.
9. Grant applications, where possible must be supported by invoices, quotes or any press cuttings relating to the grant.
10. Receipts should be provided after the grant has been awarded and any other supplementary information on how the grant was spent.
11. The funding must be spent within three months but this can be extended with approval depending on the project.
12. Any monies not used towards the purpose of the application must be returned.
13. Grant awards should normally be utilised in full during the financial year in which they are awarded.
14. Area Committee support should be acknowledged in any publicity including photos organised by the council highlighting funding support.